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...THIS IS MBI'S CEO, HIROTO MINAKA.
TO ALL THE FINE ASHIKABI READING THIS...
...I BRING YOU SOME EXCITING NEWS!!

ONLY ONE SEKIREI REMAINS UNWINGED, AND IT'S IN THE NORTH AREA.
THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM!! WILL YOU BE THAT BIRD!?
BEEP
ALL DONE.
TRANS-MISSION !!
..."THAT BIRD!?"...
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
WHAT THE HELL'RE YOU DOING?
SLAP
PHONE: SENT
THAT HURT, Y'KNOW, TAKAMI-KUN.
I'M TOO LATE ...
HOW COULD YOU ...?
... FU-FU-FU-FU.

TEITO'S CALMED DOWN.
THE PLAYERS SEEM TO HAVE GIVEN UP OUT OF BOREDOM.
SO FOR THEM—A GIFT FROM THE GAME MASTER.
A LITTLE SIDESHOW UNTIL PHASE THREE BEGINS.

PHONE: THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM!! WILL YOU BE THAT BIRD!?
...ONLY...
...ONE LEFT?
WHOAAA...
THE CEO'S DONE IT NOW.
...THE CONTENT IS NEARLY IDENTICAL.
HE'S CLEARLY TRYING TO RILE EVERYONE UP...!!
IT WAS THE SAME WITH KU-CHAN... I MEAN...
THE "GIRL OF GREEN." HE SENT A SIMILAR TEXT...
OUCH, THAT HURTS, MATSU-SAN. OUCH.

YOU, MINA-TAN, AND THE OTHER ASHIKABI!
RILE US...?
YES. EXACTLY.
THEY'LL ALL GATHER.
THIS IS BAD.
BAD...
ALL THOSE ASHIKABI, HOPING TO SNAG THE FINAL SEKIREI ...!!!
HERE, IN THE NORTH AREA...

THE NORTHERN HANNYA PROBABLY WON'T STAND FOR THIS.
KNOCK ON WOOD.
IN THE NORTH AREA...
THE ASHIKABI WILL...?
MINA-TAN!
Y-YEAH?
SERIOUSLY? HERE AT.....
CLAMP
...ACK...
BUT JUST LIKE WITH KU-CHAN...
I'VE GOT NO CLUE WHERE THEY ARE...
SHAKE
SHAKE
DO YOUR BEST TO WING THEM!!
THE FINAL SEKIREI !!
UHHHH.
WELL. THAT IS...
UM... UHH.
HERE .....?
MATSU DOESN'T FEEL LIKE GETTING CHARBROILED AGAIN.
UH. MATSU-SAN.

BIG BROTHER.

THERE'S SOMEONE ELSE LIKE KU?

WH—
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

YOU'LL HELP THEM, RIGHT?
ARE YOU GONNA HELP THEM, BIG BROTHER?
WELL, I DON'T REALLY KNOW YET, BUT.....
YEAH. ...UM.

MAYBE THIS OTHER ONE IS CRYING TOO.
K-KU-CHAN.
WHINE

CRYING ALL ALONE FOR SO LONG.
KU WAS SO LONELY BACK THEN.

...KU-CHAN.

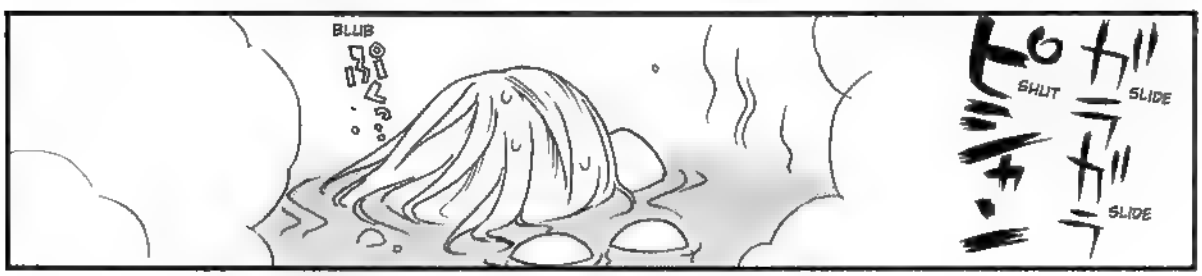
HIC.
HIC.
RIGHT. WHAT I CAN DO NOW...
IT MIGHT JUST BE THAT I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN.
RUB
HIC.
...DON'T CRY.
AND IF THEY'RE OUT THERE, CRYING...
IF THEY NEED MY HELP...
...I'LL SAVE THEM.

I LOVE YOU, BIG BROTHER.
WHOA.
KU-CHA—
THUD
ACK.
OUCH...
...AH.
ONE THING, THOUGH.
NEEDLESS TO SAY...
IF THEY'RE NOT REACTING TO ME, I WON'T FORCE THEM...
YEAH!
THEY MAKE MINATO-KUN SO HAPPY. ♡
U-FU-FU. LOOK, LOOK. I HAVE THE BIGGEST BOOBS OF ALL THE SEKIREI. ♡
M-MINATO PREFERS A MORE MODEST WOMAN!!

MINATO-SAN HAS A "MONOPOLY" ON MUSUBI'S BOOBS.
THAT'S WHAT YUKARI-SAN SAID.
WH-WHAT'S THAT!?
APPROVAL FROM THE SISTER ...!?
THE AIRHEAD SHTICK IS JUST AN ACT...!?

MUSUBI, YOU DIRTY CHEAT.
SPLASH
PLUNK
SPLASH
MUSUBI WAS THE FIRST ONE MINATO-SAN BONDED WITH. ♡
ONLY A SLIGHT EDGE...

MUSUBI-SAAAN. TSUKIUMI-SAAAN.
KAZE-HANA TOO.
COME HELP ME PREPARE DINNER, PLEASE.
OKAAAY.


SLIDE
SHUT
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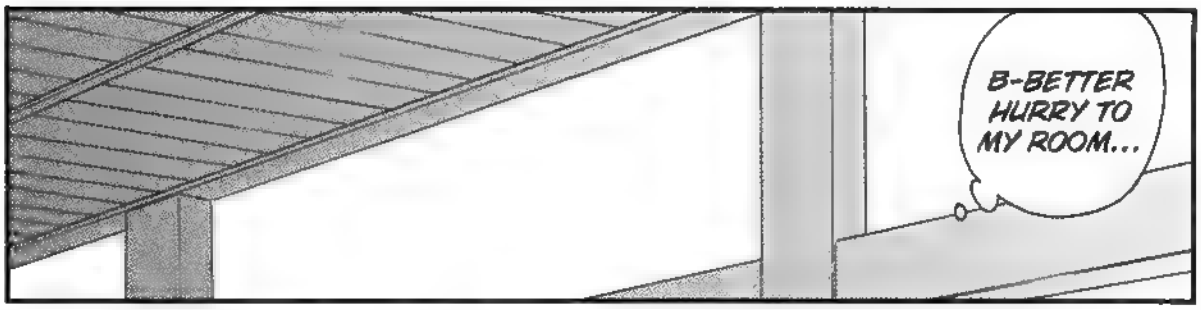
BLUB

DIZZY FROM THE HEAT.....
DAMN... LIKE I'M NOT MESSED UP ENOUGH ALREADY.
HAA.

WOBBLE
WOBBLE


B-BETTER HURRY TO MY ROOM...

YOU SICK ...?
WH— WHAT'S WRONG?

KAGARI-SAN .....?

HAA.
HAA.
...HUH .....?

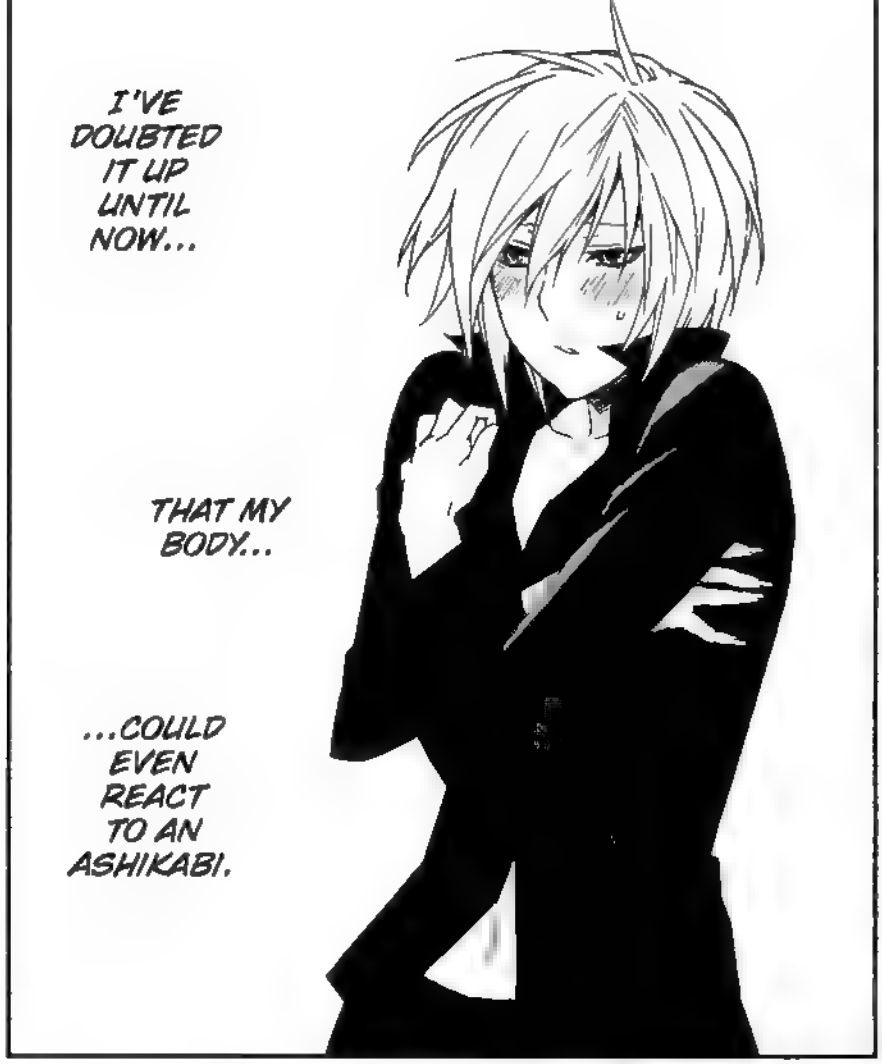
YOU OKAY?
KAGARI-SAN!

SQUISH
"SQUISH" !?
I'M ROAST-ING...
SO HOT...
...MY BODY...
...BUT.....
SFX: GRAB
K-KAGARI-SAN.
KAGARI-SAN!?

.....
IT FEELS GOOD.....
...
AH.
SQUEEZE
K-K-
K-K...
K—
KAGARI-SANNN?

UWAHHHHH!
POW
BADUM
BADUM
BADUM
...AH...
...UH...
HAAA.
HAA...
THUD

UHH.....
AN ATTEMPT TO WING ME!!!
...
HMPH.
HAA...
.....
I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT.
...I'M...
I DIDN'T WANT TO THINK IT, BUT...
...
DEFINITELY...
...
REACTING TO THIS MAN.


I'VE DOUBTED IT UP UNTIL NOW...
THAT MY BODY...
...COULD EVEN REACT TO AN ASHIKABI.

WOBBLE

THUMP
トン

TO THINK, THAT THAT ASHIKABI IS A MAN.

SILENT
チーン

TWITCH
ピク。
...NNN...

...AND THIS REACTION...
...THESE CHANGES IN ME...
IF THEY'RE ALL THANKS TO HIM...

...IS THE CAUSE OF IT ALL...
IF THIS MAN...

FLIK
UWAHHHH!
BLINK
...?

Chapter 58: Seeds of Conflict

UWAHHHH!
THAT WAS MINATO-SAN'S VOICE.
WH-WHAT WAS THAT!?

...?
THE FLAMES...
...AREN'T OBEYING ME...!?
MY OWN FLAMES...

FIRE ...!?
FROM HIS HAND ...!?
NO, HOLD ON. WAIT... WAIT!!
THAT MEANS, UMM...
WHY...?
...TO FIGURE THIS OUT.
DOESN'T TAKE A GENIUS...
...A SEKIREI.
HE'S...
TCH...

SPLASH
SIZZLE
.....
HA-HA.
WHAT ON EARTH...
...WAS THAT FIRE!?

AHA-HA-HA-HA.
...HA-HA-HA.

...YOU COOLED MY HEAD.
LITERALLY.

THANKS, TSUKIUMI.
I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW.

HUH?

YOU'RE NOT THE ONE I NEED TO KILL.
MINATO... SAHASHI.

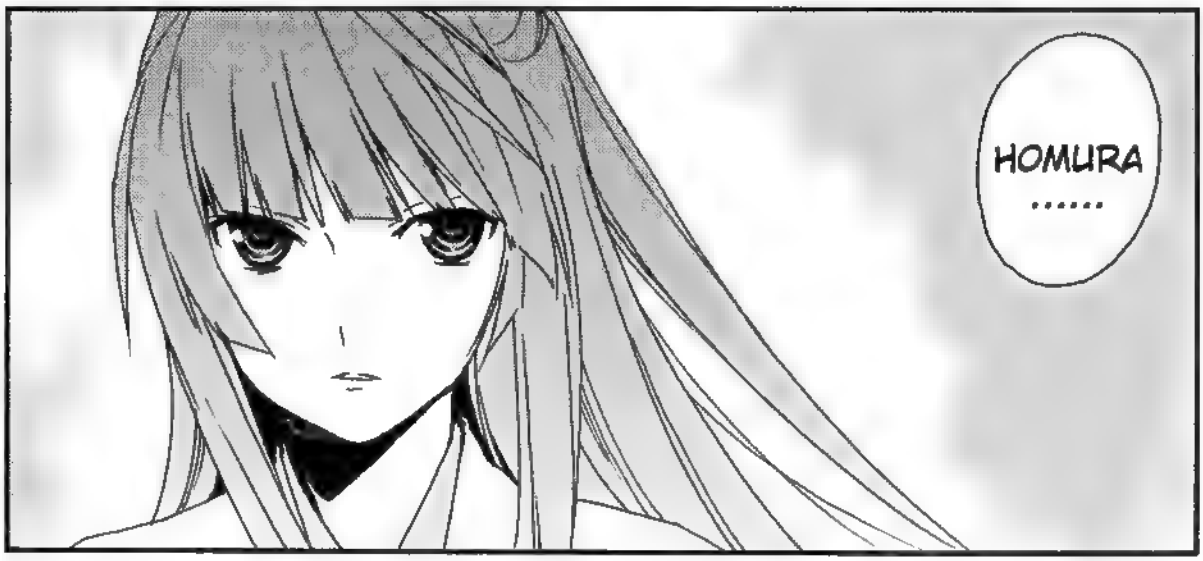
I THINK IT'S TIME...
...FOR HIM TO PAY FOR HIS ACTIONS.
THE GAME MASTER.
THE ONE WHO HAS TO DIE...
...IS THE ONE SNEERING FROM ON HIGH, TOYING WITH MY FATE.
ARE YOU...?
KAGARI-SAN...
UMM...
DID I SCARE YOU?
SORRY.

BECAUSE YOU'RE THE FIRST MAN...
...TO EVER FONDLE MY CHEST.
BUT I'M NOT SORRY FOR HITTING YOU.
FWIP
OUCH...
AH...!
EH...?
MINATO!!
DON'T TELL ME YOU LEAN THAT WAY!!
Y-Y-Y-YOU.
N-NO... THEY WERE SOFT...
WAIT!? SOFT!?

KAGARI-SAN.
MINAKA IS NOT A MAN SO EASILY KILLED.
AH.

AS YOU'VE NOTICED, MY BODY'S REACTING TO AN ASHIKABI.
BUT I'M AT MY LIMIT.
...I KNOW THAT.
AT THIS RATE, MY BOY PARTS'LL START TO REACT TOO...
...AND I'LL FIND MYSELF COMING ON TO THAT SLACKER.
OH MY...
THAT IS SERIOUS.
WHAT WAS SOFT, THEN?
HIS, UH, UMM... YOU SEE...
SO I'M GOING ...
... MIYA.

MY FINAL MISSION AS THE SEKIREI GUARDIAN.
I'LL KILL MINAKA...
...AND PREVENT PHASE THREE AL-TOGETHER.


HOMURA
.....

MINATO-SAN?
YAWN
ふぁ
WHAT'S ALL THE COMMO-TION?
YOU!
WHAT WAS MORE IMPORTANT THAN HELPING US COOK!?
JUST A NAP. I WENT TO WAKE KUSANO-CHAN...
...AND ENDED UP DOZING OFF MYSELF. ♡
KAGARI-SAN'S CHEST.
IT WAS DEFINITELY SOFT.....
AND HIS BODY FELT LIKE A GIRL'S.
BADUM
ばくん
SLIM AND LIGHT... WHOA!!
HOLD ON!! DO I REALLY SWING THAT WAY!?
NO, BUT HE REALLY HAD BOOBS!!
BOOBS ?
WHAT? NEVER MIND THAT.

BUT THERE'S ONE THING...
...I KNOW WITHOUT A DOUBT.
ANYWAY, YEAH.
GUESS HE REALLY HATES ME...?
GLUM
BETTER NOT TELL THESE TWO ABOUT THAT...
HE TRIED TO KILL ME TOO.
WHAT'S UP WITH KAGARI-SAN...?
...
HE'S A SEKIREI.
NOT SURE HOW I KNOW, BUT...
ONLY ONE SEKIREI REMAINS UNWINGED, AND IT'S IN THE NORTH AREA.
I BRING YOU SOME EXCITING NEWS!!
ALL THOSE ASHIKABI...!!!
THEY'LL ALL GATHER.

COULD HE BE...
...THE FINAL ONE...?
WE MADE IT! THE NORTH AREA!!
AHHH, I'M POOPED.
HOOFING IT ACROSS TEITO'S NO JOKE.
BECAUSE WE CAN'T USE THE TRAINS.

BOO.
"SEKIREI AND ASHIKABI CAN'T RIDE!" OR WHATEVER.
WORRIED ABOUT US TRYING TO RUN!

GOTTA SAY, GOOD ON THEM FOR MANAGING TO ESCAPE.
APPARENTLY, SOME OTHER ASHIKABI HELPED THEM OUT.

CAUGHT A COLD, MINATO?
BECAUSE SPLASHED YOU
AHHH—
—CHOO!

PHASE TWO WAS SUPPOSED TO JUST MEAN HIGH SECURITY ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, COURTESY OF MBI, BUT...
THEY'VE SHUT DOWN THE TRAINS TO US ENTIRELY EVER SINCE A PAIR ESCAPED.

YUKARI-SAN, YUKARI-SAN.
IT'S NOT LIKE WE KNOW FOR SURE THE LAST ONE IS KU.
ANYWAY, WE'RE ON THE HUNT FOR THAT LAST SEKIREI!!
NO. 108!!

LIKE, WHAT IF THAT POOR SEKIREI IS CAUGHT BY A PERVY ASHIKABI?
REMEMBER THAT WEIRDO WHO TRIED TO KISS YOU, SHIINA?
THE SOUTH AREA'S MIKO— MIKO-GUMMY...
HAYATO MIKOGAMI?
EVEN IF IT'S NOT HER, WE CAN'T JUST SIT BACK.
WHO KNOWS WHAT THOSE OTHER "EARLY BIRDS" MIGHT DO?
SCREE
YEAH, THAT'S THE ONE. A GROSS CREEP LIKE HIM.
BLEH.

SPEAK OF THE DEVIL!!

YUKARI-SAN.
DAMN. EVEN THAT JERK'S HERE IN THE NORTH AREA.

HEY... YOU!!
YOU HERE FOR THAT LAST SEKIREI!?
GET BACK HERE!!

WHAT DO WE DO?
I...DON'T WANT KU GETTING TORMENTED BY THAT GUY...
IT'S FINE. BECAUSE ...
...WE DON'T KNOW FOR SURE THAT THE LAST ONE IS NO. 108!
DON'T WORRY!
GRAB
RIGHT!!
MY BIG BRO'S HERE IN THE NORTH!!
*YUKARI STILL DOESN'T KNOW THAT MINATO IS AN ASHIKABI.
I BET HE'LL HELP US OUT IF WE JUST SAY WE'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE.
THE SEKIREI PROJECT IS TOP SECRET AND ALL, SO WE CAN'T TELL HIM, BUT...
AND MUSUBI-CHAN'S HERE TOO!
ASSUMING SHE HASN'T DUMPED HIM...
"YU-KARI"?
"YUKARI SAHASHI"...? THE DEMON ASHIKABI AND THE REAPER SEKIREI...
YUKARI-SAN...
MY BIG BRO'S MORE RELIABLE THAN YOU'D THINK.
RELAX!

!
WHO'RE YOU!?
WELL, WELL...
FANCY RUNNING INTO YOU HERE.

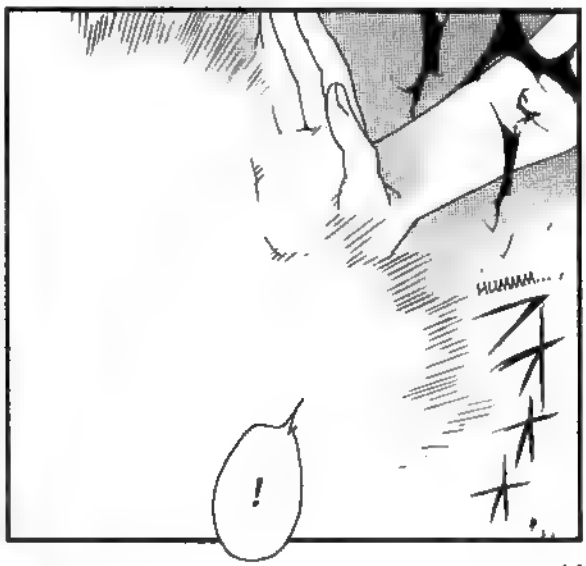
Chapter 59: Teito in Chaos

THE DEMON ASHIKABI AND THE REAPER SEKIREI...
WELL, WELL...
WHO'RE YOU?
SEKIREI, RIGHT ...?
WHOSE, THOUGH?
FANCY RUNNING INTO YOU HERE.
I SEE... JUST AS THE INTEL DESCRIBED YOU.
KATSU-RAGI.

LEAP
YUKARI-SAN.

BLAM

TMD


HUMMM...
!

TMP
WELL? HOW STRONG IS HE?
FLIP
...VERY.
NO.
EX-TREMELY.
NO. 107 AND YUKARI SAHASHI.
THEY DON'T CALL YOU TWO "DEMON" AND "REAPER" FOR NOTHING, IT SEEMS.
I AM NO. 22, KOCHOU.
BESIDE ME IS NO. 86, KATSURAGI.
IN TRUTH, *BOTH* OF OUR ASHIKABI ARE QUITE INTERESTED IN YOU TWO.

FWIP
BOOM
DEATH FLOWER!!

WON'T YOU LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY!?
LIKE HELL I WILL.

CRACK

YOUR ASHIKABI AREN'T EVEN HERE...
...BUT THEY SENT THEIR SEKIREI TO ATTACK US?
AND I'M SUPPOSED TO LISTEN 'COS THEY'RE "INTERESTED" IN US? SCREW THAT.

VOOM
HE'S HERE.
THE MAS-TER.
OVER THERE.
SKID
SKID
SKID
THUNK
SCREEEE

SLAM
AH, I'VE FINALLY CAUGHT UP.
JUST COULDN'T GET AWAY FROM THAT CONFERENCE.

MASTER.
HA-HA... YOU'RE USUALLY SO CAREFUL.
TH-THANK YOU.
I WAS CARE-LESS...
I'M ASHAMED OF MY-SELF.
WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED, KOCHOU?
...SO THEY ARE...?
YES. THE "DEMON" AND "REAPER."
WHY, I'M THE SAME AS YOU.
CUTE YOUNG MISS.
STOP CALL-ING ME THAT!!
WHO THE HELL'RE YOU ANY-WAY!?

I AM IZUMI HIGA.

AN ASHI-KABI.

IZUMI HIGA ...?
MASTER OF THE EAST AREA ...!?
SO GOOD-LOOKING...
WEARING A SUIT, NO LESS!!
GUHEH
YUKARI-SAN! YOU'RE DROOLING!!
COME ON.
I CAME NORTH TO SEE ABOUT THIS FINAL SEKIREI, BUT...
...WHAT A LUCKY GUY I AM.
GYAHH. HE'S EVEN CUTER UP CLOSE!!
I'VE BEEN WANTING TO MEET YOU FOR SOME TIME NOW.

CAN YOU SPARE SOME TIME FOR ME?
I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH YOU.
AH, NO. SORRY.
I'VE GOTTA SEARCH FOR NO. 108...

YUKARI SAHASHI-SAN.
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF HARMING YOU.

I MERELY WISH TO BE FRIENDS.

CLOSE

BEEP
...WHAT IS IT, TAKAMI-SAN?
TWENTY TIMES? SERIOUSLY?
THE SEKIREI GUARDIAN'S CLOSED UP SHOP...
Run.
Ah, I finally caught you.

MISS CALL 20
MISSED CALLS...
TWENTY OF THEM !?

BZZ
BZZ

UWAH.
RING
RINNNG

Actu- Well... Uh. ally...
... WHAT'S GOING ON?
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN ?
AS LONG AS YOU'RE THERE, NO. 01 CAN...
LISTEN TO ME. DON'T STEP FOOT OUTSIDE OF IZUMO INN.
NO...WAIT! ACTUALLY, DON'T GO OUTSIDE.
HUH?
KNOCK
KNOCK
JOLT

UH... HI...
IT'S SAHASHI...
I...
I GOT A TEXT.
Kagari ?
Someone there?
... WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
UH. WELL ...
FROM MBI.
"EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM," IT SAID.

IT WAS TELLING US TO GO WING THEM...
THE FINAL SEKIREI, HERE IN THE NORTH AREA...!
HUH .....?
EARLY BIRD...?
Y-YOU SEE...
UMM.
UMMM...
KAGARI-SAN.
YOU'RE A SEKIREI, RIGHT...?
I...
I...
I GET IT...
I THINK.

SO, I...
...
"SO"?
...SO WHAT?
YOU'RE... HERE TO CLAIM ME?
TO GRAB THE GLORY IN TRIUMPH ...?
THROB
ズキン
THROB
ズキン
KA—
KAGARI... SAN?
TH- THAT'S NOT IT.
NO!! I JUST...
THAT'S NOT WHY I'M...

I...
I...
OH REALLY?
WHAT ARE YOU HERE FOR, THEN?

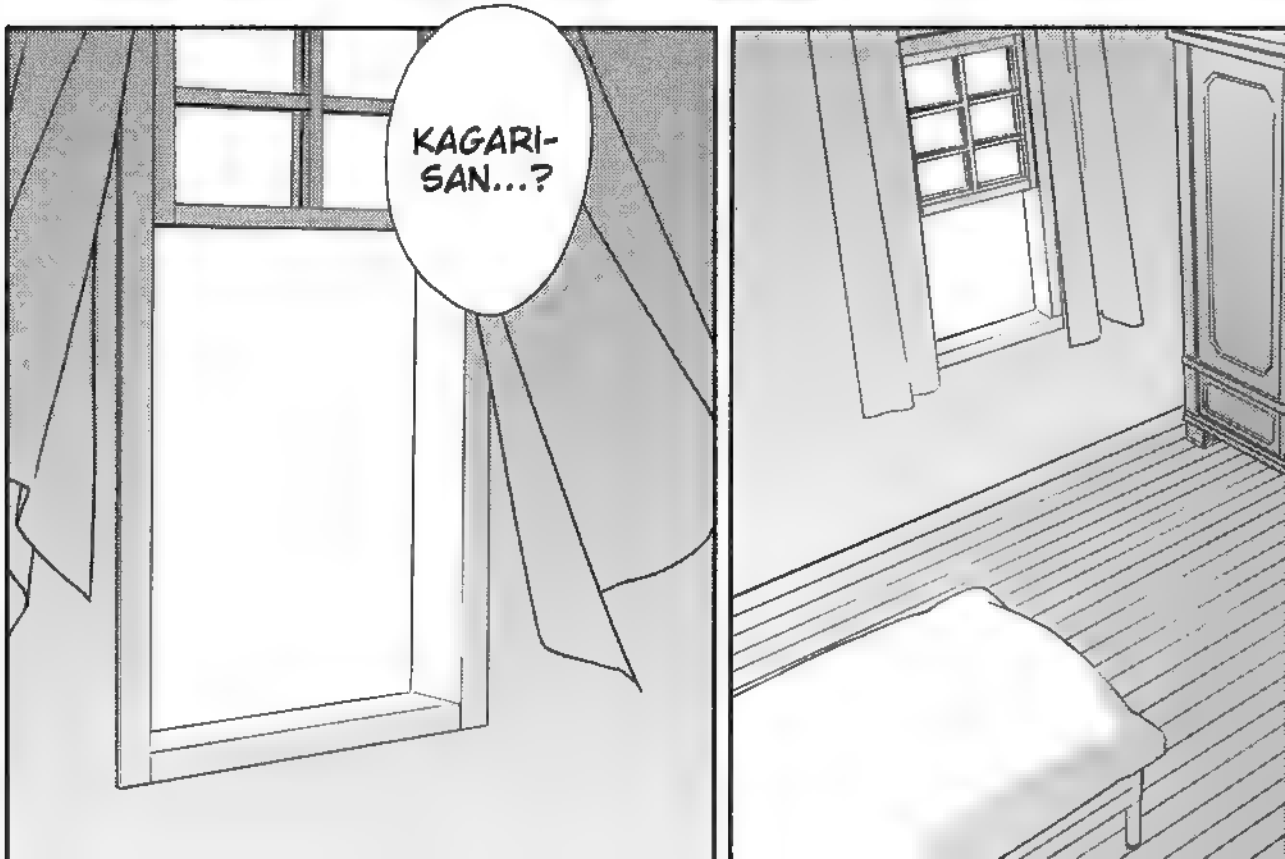
I'M... JUST...
...WOR-RIED.

...DON'T BE.
I DON'T NEED YOUR SACCHARINE PITY.

FLAP
SORRY, TAKAMI-SAN.
BUT I'M GOING TO KILL HIM.
Wait... Hold up!!
Kagari! Kaga—
BZZT

BURST
WAHH.
KNOCK
KNOCK
KNOCK
KAGARI-SAN?
KAGARI-SAN?

KAGARI-SA—


KAGARI-SAN...?

WHEN I FIRST ENCOUN-TERED HIM...
...HE WAS WREATHED IN FLAMES.
WHY DO YOU FIGHT MASTERLESS AS YOU ARE?
FORGET
FIND A MASTER TO PROTECT AND DO IT QUICKLY.

Chapter 60: Recognizing the True Wife

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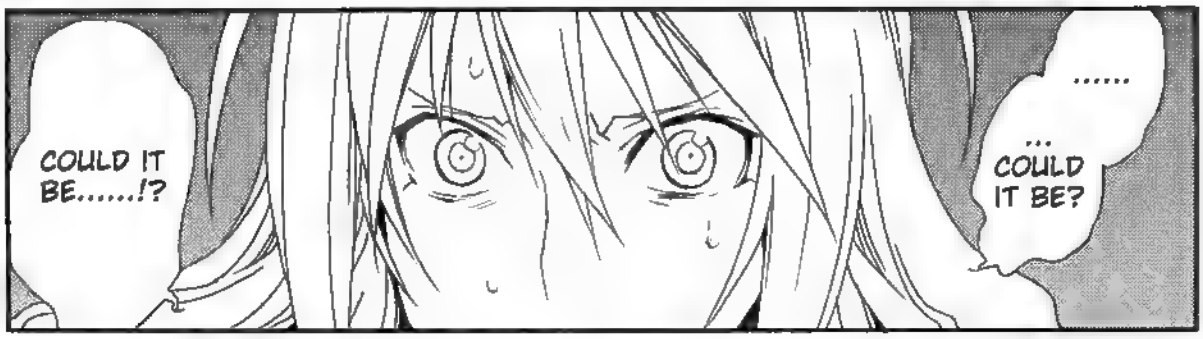
HIS NAME WAS "HOMURA."
SO YOU WERE BURNED TO A CRISP, TSUKIUMI-SAN!?
I-I WAS ONLY CARELESS THAT FIRST TIME.
THE CRISPINESS DID NOT GO ON AFTER THAT.
LET ME ZIP THAT FOR YOU.
OH, THANK YOU.
ZIP

INCREDIBLY SO, FOR ONE UNWINGED.
WE MET AND FOUGHT SEVERAL TIMES SINCE THEN.
BUT HE'S STRONG.

SO WHAT'S HE LIKE?
SQUEEZE

A MASK ...?
I FOUND HIM IN THE ROAD ONCE, FACE EXPOSED...
...BUT I DON'T LIKE TO STARE AT THOSE WHO'VE SUFFERED DEFEAT.
WELL, YOU KNOW.
A REPULSIVE GUY.
HIS FACE...
HE WORE A MASK OVER THE LOWER HALF.
... HOW-EVER...
SO I NEVER GOT A GOOD LOOK AT HIS FACE.
MASK ...
ALMOST AS IF HE'S SOMEONE I SEE EVERY DAY.
RECENTLY, I EXPERIENCED A SORT OF DÉJÀ VU...
...A SENSE THAT HE'S CLOSE BY...

AH, THE MASKED MAN!!
MUSUBI MET HIM ONCE!!
JOLT
I MISTOOK HIM FOR KAGARI-SAN.
HE LOOKED JUST LIKE HIM, FROM BEHIND.
...KAGARI...?
YES... THEY DO LOOK ALIKE.
...MINATO AND HE WERE...
AND THAT FIRE...
AND THEN, EARLIER...
WAIT...
I'VE HEARD THAT HE IS THE ONLY SEKIREI...
...WHO WIELDS FLAMES...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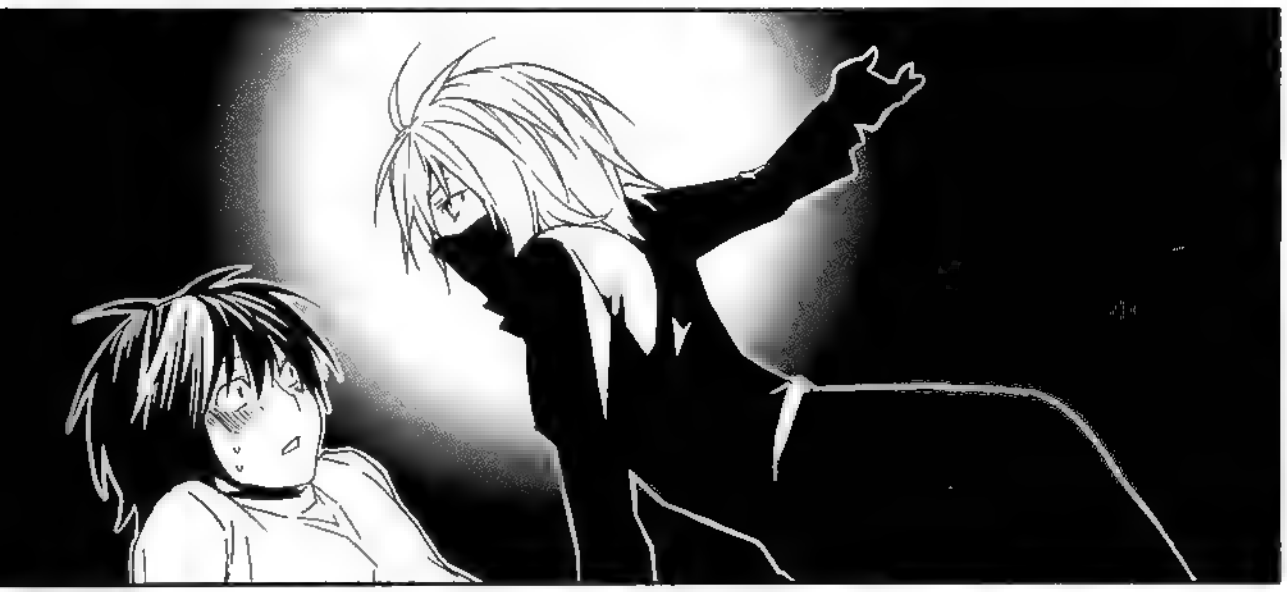
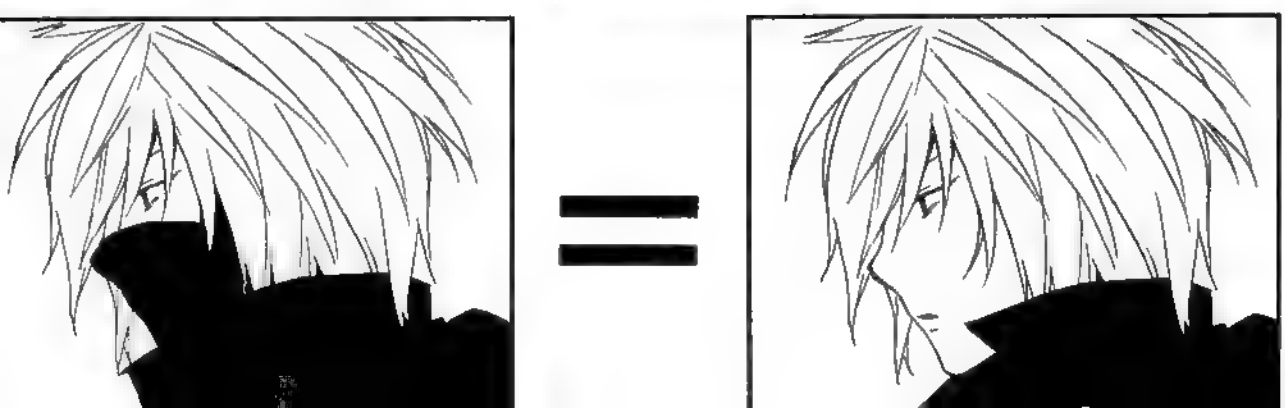
...
COULD IT BE?
COULD IT BE.....!?





NUAHHHHH!
HOMURAAAAA!!!

KAGARI-SAN...?
RING
RINNNG
RINNNG
RINNNG
RINNNG
RINNNG
RINNNG
TAKAMI...
TAKAMI!?
RINNNG

What the hell, Kagari!! Cut the crap, already!!
BEEP
...HELLO?
U-UHH...
YUP. IT'S MOM...
You listening, Kagari!?
HUMMM
...Eh? Who's that? You're not Kagari.
Stop Kagari !!
Y-YEAH. UMM...
Stop him.
Mina-to?
...That voice ...
...and get himself killed in the process.
He's off to kill Minaka...

The North Area's crawling with Ashikabi, now.
And you know what they're after, don't you?
TALKING
EH...
Don't let that boy outside!
You got that text, didn't you, Minato?
ONLY ONE SEKIREI REMAINS UNWINGED.
THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM!!
THAT FINAL SEKIREI...
THE ASHIKABI ARE...COMING NORTH TO GET IT...?
Yep, that's right.
The final Sekirei.

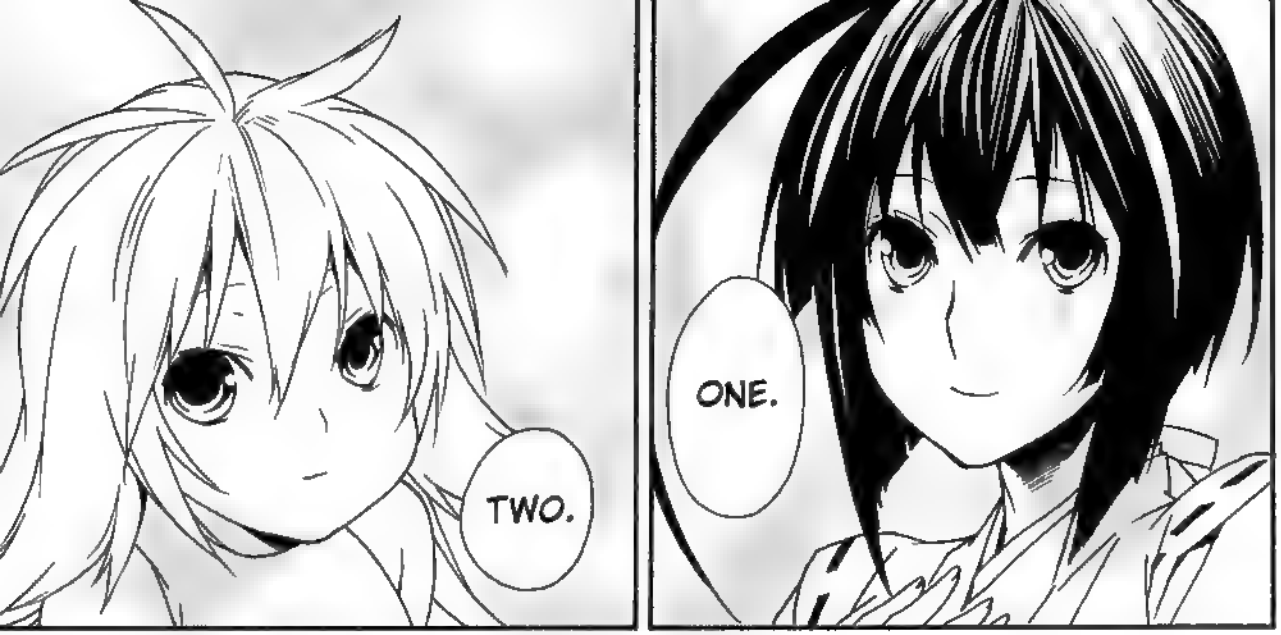
Homura.
Sekirei No. 06.
"Kagari" is just his alias at Izumo Inn.
But he's really the last unwinged Sekirei out there.

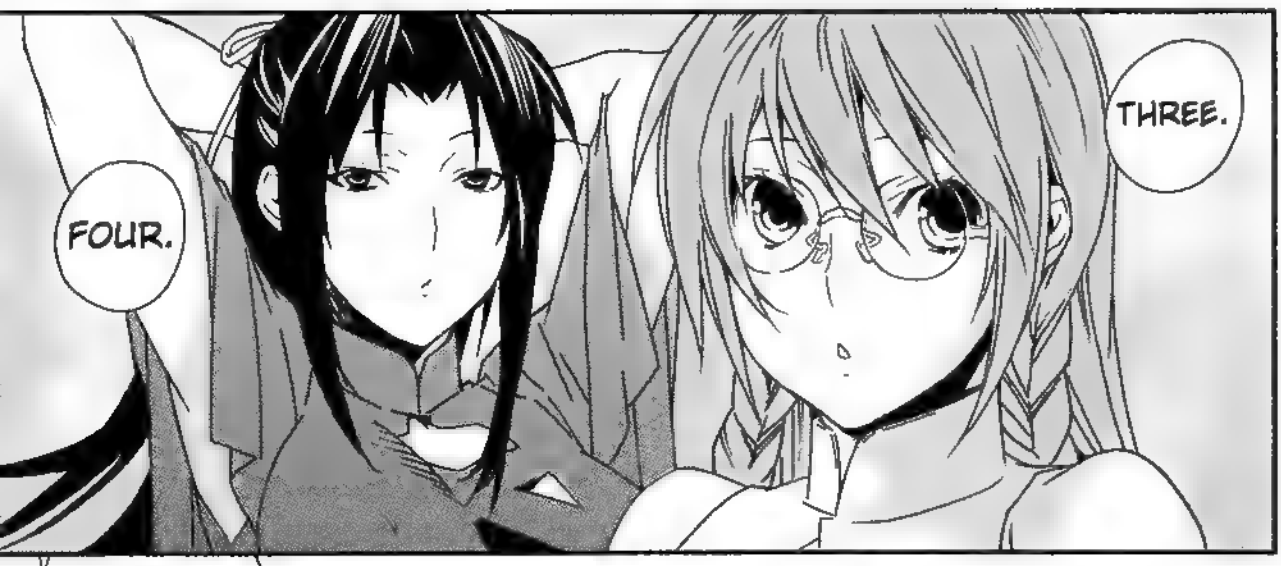
The problem is what's guarding Minaka at HQ.
You know them all too well, Minato.
Oh, he'd be doing us all a favor, honestly.
M-MOM.....
So where's Homura!?
Is he there or not!?
HE SAID SOME-THING ABOUT... KILLING MINAKA...
N-NOT HERE.
THE DISCIPLINARY SQUAD.
Even if he sneaks past them all and makes it to MBI...
...the Dis-ciplinary Squad'll be waiting.
THE DISCI-PLINARY... SQUAD...
If he's caught by an Ashikabi, he'll be winged against his will.

KAGARI-SAN...
If he's left Izumo Inn, then he's exposed on all sides.....!!
BAM
HOMURA!
YOU'VE BEEN FOUND OUT, HOMURA-TAAAN.

WHY IN THE WORLD ARE YOU IN KAGARI'S ROOM?
MINATO.
N-NO... IT'S NOT LIKE...
SEE... THERE WAS... AND
UM. THEN...
UM.
THAT COW-ARD!!
TELLING ME TO FIND AN ASHIKABI AND BE WINGED!!
GRRRR...
GIVING ME SERMON AFTER SERMON.
YET NOW HE CHOOSES TO RUN.
A BIT SLOW ON THE UPTAKE, TSUKIUMI-TAN.
SORRY. BIG SIS HAD TO KEEP HER MOUTH SHUT TOO.
PU-KU-KU...
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?
I THINK TSUKIUMI-SAN AND KAGARI-SAN ACTUALLY KNEW EACH OTHER. ♡

JOLT
Y-YEAH?
WAS HOMURA TRULY REACTING TO YOU?
GLARE
MINATO!
.....
HMM...? YEAH.
IF I INTERPRETED IT CORRECTLY ...
IT WAS... THE SAME AS WITH ALL OF YOU.
I-I CAN'T REALLY EXPLAIN IT... BUT...
THAT FEELING THAT...
...OUR HEARTS ARE CONNECTED.


TWO.
ONE.


THREE.
FOUR.

I DON'T WISH TO LOSE MY WORTHY RIVAL...!!
SO EVEN IF I DON'T LIKE IT... FINE!!
MINATO... THE IDEA OF YOU ACQUIRING YET ANOTHER SEKIREI...
I DON'T LIKE IT... I DON'T LIKE IT AT ALL...
BUT THIS IS A RACE AGAINST TIME.
AND FIVE...
HMPH.

WHETHER YOU HAVE FIVE OR SIX, IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE !!
MINATO!
YOU MUST MAKE HOMURA YOURS!!
EHHHHH!?

Chapter 61:
Natural
Feelings

I, YOUR TRUE WIFE, WILL ALLOW IT!
MINATO!! GO AND WING HOMURA.
TCH...
ONE CONCU-BINE OR TWO.....
WITH A KISS!?
WING HIM...WITH THE WHOLE... UM...SPIT-SWAPPING THING?

WAH-HA-HA-HA.
...OR THREE OR FOUR OR FIVE...!!
THEY ONLY SPEAK TO MY ASHI-KABI'S RELIABIL-ITY.
AND I WILL SHOW MY MAGNA-NIMITY, AS THE TRUE WIFE.
SHE'S CLEARLY OUT OF HER COMFORT ZONE.
SHE LOOKS PAINED...
I THINK TSUKIUMI-SAN IS BROKEN.
...HOW...
HOW ABOUT THE REST OF YOU...?
NO PROBLEM HERE.
KAGARI-SAN IS A GOOD PERSON!
NOD NOD
MUSUBI LIKES HIM!
WHY NOT? IF HE'S REALLY REACTING TO YOU.
B-BUT HE ACTUALLY TRIED TO KILL ME...
I ALSO ATTEMPTED SUCH A THING, ONCE...
IT'S A COMMON THING. JUST FORGET IT.
B-BUT KAGARI-SAN'S A DUDE.
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?
PASSAY?
THINKING THAT GENDER MATTERS IS SOOO PASSÉ.

IS IT REALLY ..... THAT COM-MON?
SERI-OUSLY?
PAT
HA HA ...
AH HA...
MINATO-SAN.
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO, MINATO-SAN?
M-ME?
I...
RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT REALLY MATTERS.

SQUISH
BIG BROTHER.
...IS HE CRYING?
HEY. IS KAGARI-CHAN CRYING?
FLAIL
FLAIL
UWAHH!

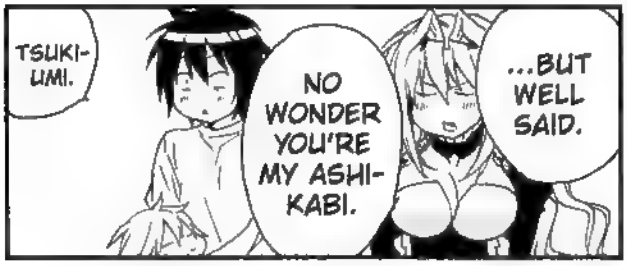
HIC.
KU-CHAN.
HELP HIM?
WILL YOU HELP HIM, BIG BROTHER?
...DON'T BE.
I DON'T NEED YOUR SACCHARINE PITY.

...WANTING ME TO WING KAGARI-SAN.....
IS IT TO PROTECT HIM FROM OTHER ASHIKABI..... BECAUSE YOU PITY HIM?
...YOU...
TSUKI-UMI.
HMM?
RIDICU-LOUS!!
DO YOU THINK SO LOWLY OF ME?
AND... MINATO...
THAT'S ALL.
I TRUST YOU TO FIND WORTHY RIVALS FOR ME.
IT'S REVENGE.
FOR ALL THOSE TIMES HE LECTURED ME!!

...SAME HERE.
IT'S NOT PITY.
THIS FEELING WELLING UP INSIDE MY CHEST...
I'M JUST WORRIED. ...I WANT TO HELP.
I'M...
...GOING AFTER KAGARI-SAN.

I WANT HIM TO UNDER-STAND.
TSUKIUMI'S FEELINGS FOR HIM AS A RIVAL.
KU-CHAN'S DESIRE TO HELP HIM.
SURE, WE'RE ASHIKABI AND SEKIREI, BUT...
...WHAT REALLY MATTERS IS SOMETHING SIMPLER THAN THAT.
IT'S NATURAL TO WORRY AND WANT TO HELP SOMEONE.
AFTER ALL, WE'RE FRIENDS WHO LIVE TOGETHER HERE AT IZUMO INN.

MINATO-SAN... ♡


TSUKI-UMI.
NO WONDER YOU'RE MY ASHI-KABI.
...BUT WELL SAID.

HEY. NOT FAIR.
K-KAZEHANA-SAN.
BIG SIS LOVES THAT ABOUT YOU...
...MINATO-KUN. ♡

HMPH.
YOU'RE SLOW TO DECIDE, MINATO!

SQUEEZE
HOMURA-TAN, WELL...
HE'S NO ORDINARY SEKIREI.
MINA-TAAAN.
WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING?
THERE'S ONE THING YOU OUGHT TO KNOW.
...I PLACED A HOMING DEVICE ON HOMURA-TAN FOR JUST SUCH AN OCCASION. ♡
TO THAT END...
THIS THING
NOT ORDINARY ...?
THE WAY AHEAD IS UNCERTAIN, SO MATSU CAN'T TELL YOU HERSELF.
SO IF YOU WANT TO KNOW, CATCH HIM AND MAKE HIM SPILL THE BEANS.
HURRY UP AND CATCH HIM.
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.....!!

STEP

WHOOSH
THE SCRAPPED NUMBER...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
MY MASTER... ORDERED ME...

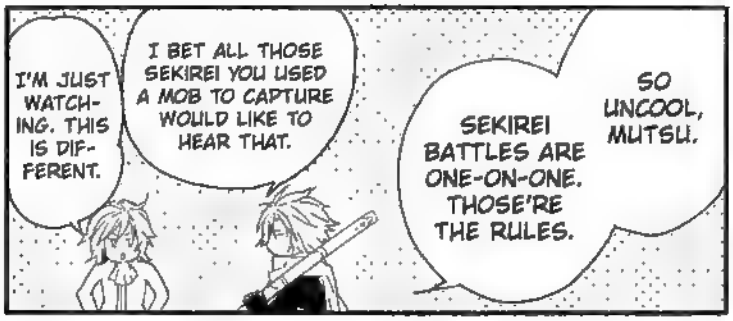
FWOOM
...TO CAPTURE YOU...
...THE FINAL SEKIREI ...!

...OUR THIRD BATTLE.
...THIS MAKES...
I THINK IT'S TIME TO FINISH THIS.

BOOM

WOW, WOW.
NOW THIS FEELS LIKE A SEKIREI BATTLE!
I REALLY SHOULDN'T ASSIST AKITSU?
...HEY.

IT'S STARTED.


I'M JUST WATCHING. THIS IS DIFFERENT.
I BET ALL THOSE SEKIREI YOU USED A MOB TO CAPTURE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THAT.
SEKIREI BATTLES ARE ONE-ON-ONE. THOSE'RE THE RULES.
SO UNCOOL, MUTSU.

BECAUSE WE'RE PLAYING A GAME, AFTER ALL.
ISN'T IT MORE FUN IF EVERYONE FOLLOWS THE RULES?

Chapter 62:
Familiar Face

ALL RIGHT, MADAME LANDLADY.
WE'LL BE BACK!!

BE CAREFUL OUT THERE.

SAHASHI-SAN.
Y-YEAH?

RRRR.
SO GET HIM BACK HERE! EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO TIE HIM UP AND DRAG HIIIM!
R-RIGHT.

KAGARI-SAN STILL HASN'T PAID THIS MONTH'S RENT.

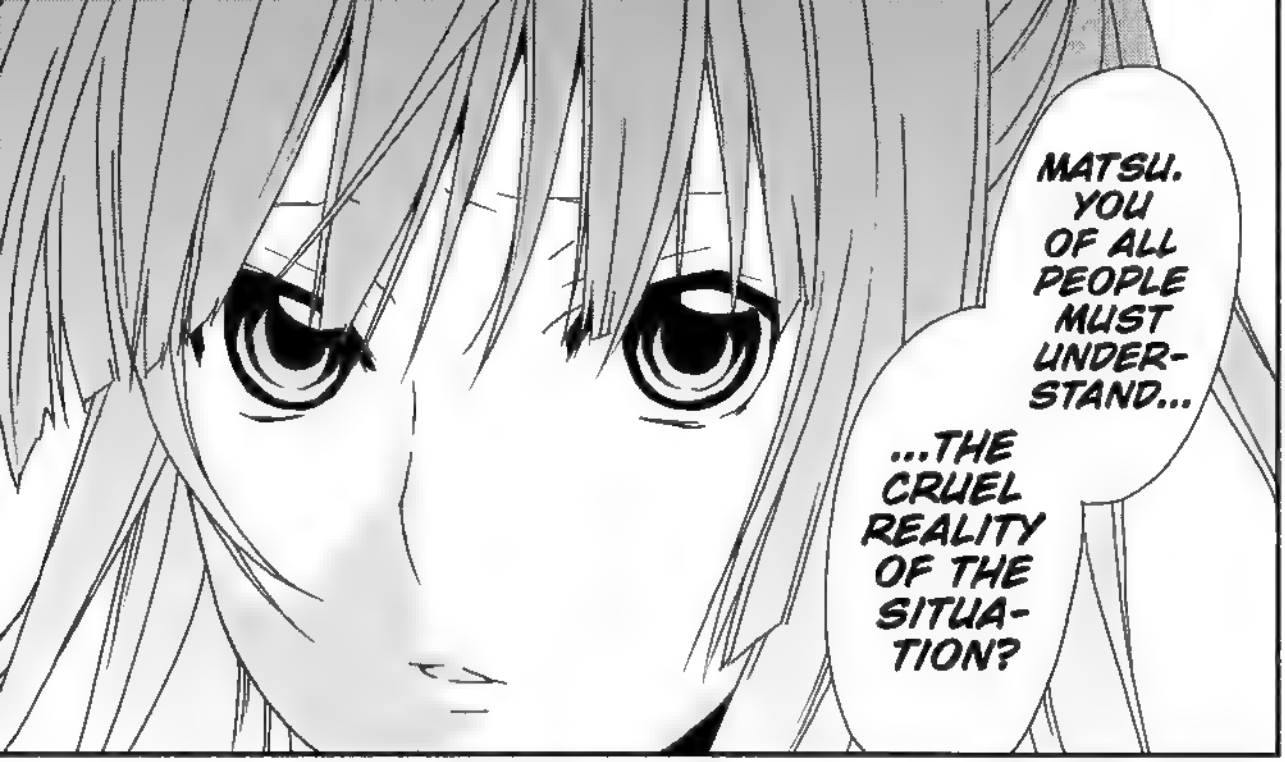
TMP
ア…

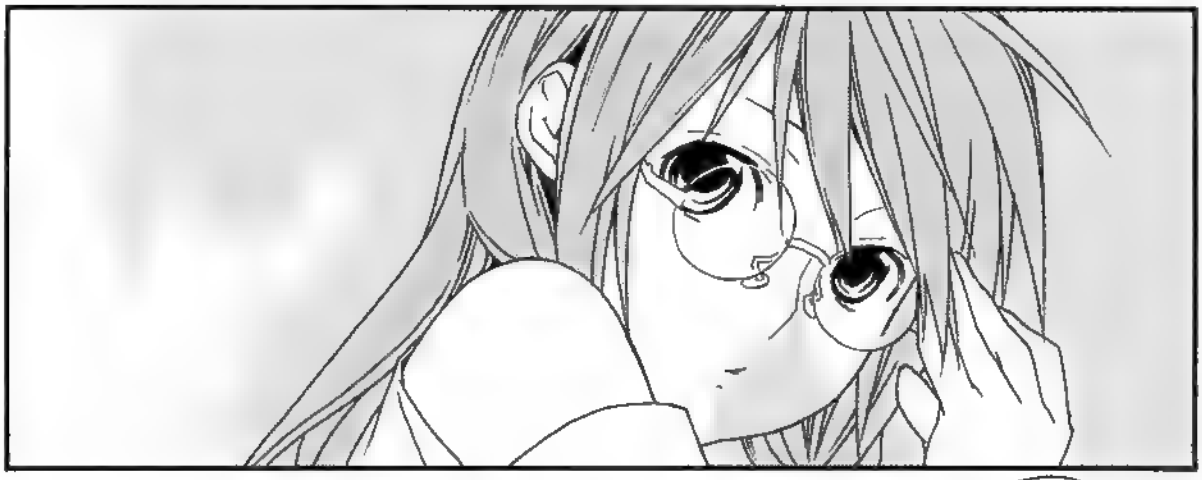
KAGARI-SAN...AND UZUME-SAN BEFORE HIM.
SO DISTANT WITH ME. LEAVING WITHOUT A WORD.
IF ONLY HE'D TOLD ME...
SUCH A BOTHER.

IF ONLY...?
THEN WHAT?

...WOULD HAVE KILLED MINAKA MYSELF.
THEN...
...I...

NO. 01.
FWIP
BUT YOU KNOW THAT'S NOT WHAT TAKEHITO-TAN WOULD'VE WANTED.
CLACK
CLACK
IF YOU WERE TO MAKE A MOVE, SO WOULD NO. 04...
...LEADING TO A MASSIVE BATTLE BETWEEN YOU TWO MONSTERS.
TEITO WOULD BE UTTERLY DESTROYED.
OH MY. SUCH HARSH WORDS.
TRUE. IT'S NOT.
NOR WOULD HE WANT THE SEKIREI PROJECT.
THIS WHOLE RIDICULOUS GAME.
JUST AS YOU SCHEMED ...
...SAHASHI-SAN HAS BEEN ACQUIRING MORE SEKIREI.
"ONE ASHIKABI WITH MULTIPLE SEKIREI."
BUT...
..."THE PRIZE GOES TO THE LAST ONE STANDING."


MATSU. YOU OF ALL PEOPLE MUST UNDER-STAND...
...THE CRUEL REALITY OF THE SITUA-TION?



IT'S CERTAINLY OUT OF CHARACTER, BUT...
...MATSU ACTUALLY BELIEVES IN HIM.

...YES, I DO, MIYA-TAN.

...CAN SMASH THE CRUEL RULES IMPOSED ON US SEKIREI...

...AND UPEND OUR PRE-DESTINED FATES.

HE CAN BRING DOWN THE WHOLE SYSTEM FOR US.

THAT MINA-TAN...

...CAN SMASH THE CRUEL RULES IMPOSED ON US SEKIREI...
...AND UPEND OUR PRE-DESTINED FATES.
THAT MINA-TAN...

HE CAN BRING DOWN THE WHOLE SYSTEM FOR US.

I'M SORRY, MATSU.
BUT UNLIKE YOU, I JUST CAN'T...
COME ON, MIYA-TAN.
AREN'T YOU TRAINING MUSUBI-TAN AND THE OTHERS BECAUSE YOU HAVE HIGH HOPES?
SIGH.
THAT'S A DIFFERENT MATTER ENTIRELY...
SAHASHI-SAN'S SEKIREI ARE WASTED ON HIM...
WELL, THAT'S FINE.
MATSU'S NOT BLIND, YOU KNOW.
AH-HA, THE TRUTH COMES OUT!!
YOU REALLY DON'T THINK MUCH OF MINA-TAN.

PHASE THREE WILL SOON BEGIN.
...IS THE WINGING OF NO. 06, HOMURA.
THE FINAL EVENT OF STAGE TWO...
AND PRETTY SOON...
...AT LONG LAST, MATSU WILL HAVE TO PREPARE TO STEP OUTSIDE.

BOOM
HAAA.
HAA...

TCH...
FWOOM

BOOM

FWOOSH

NO ONE COULD CONTROL YOU AND THAT UNBELIEVABLY DANGEROUS POWER.
THAT STRENGTH ...
DRIP
DRIP
...WHY YOU WERE "SCRAPPED."
...I SEE...
SO THEN, HOW IS IT...
...YOU HAVE AN ASHIKABI !?
SCRAPPED NUMBER... I THOUGHT THAT SEKIREI CREST ON YOUR FOREHEAD MEANT...
...YOU COULDN'T BE WINGED BY ANYONE ...!!
NO ANSWER? ...FINE.
BUT JUST LET ME SAY THIS MUCH—

PUT ON SOME DAMN PANTIES!!
AHH.

STOP TREATING ME LIKE A PERVERT!!
AKITSU WENT OUT LIKE THAT ON HER OWN.
NO, HEY...
...AT LEAST MAKE HER WEAR UNDER-PANTS.
IT'S NOT MY PLACE TO COMMENT ON YOUR TASTES, BUT...
...MIKO-GAMI.

I FORGET TO WEAR THEM...
WHOOSH
...AH.
WHAT A DE-LAYED REAC-TION.
I CAN SEE EVERY-THING
GAZE
FLAP

PANT-IES...

KAGARI... NO...
NO. 06, HOMURA.

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED.
WALKING AROUND WITHOUT PANTIES!
BUSTING INTO THE BATH AS A GROUP!
EVERYWHERE I GO, A TOTAL LACK OF MODESTY.

...!
IT'S YOU...
SCRAM, SCRAPPED NUMBER.
THIS LAST ONE IS MY PREY.
WHY...?
WHY'RE YOU HERE...?

UZUME!!

Chapter 63: Sekirei of Flames

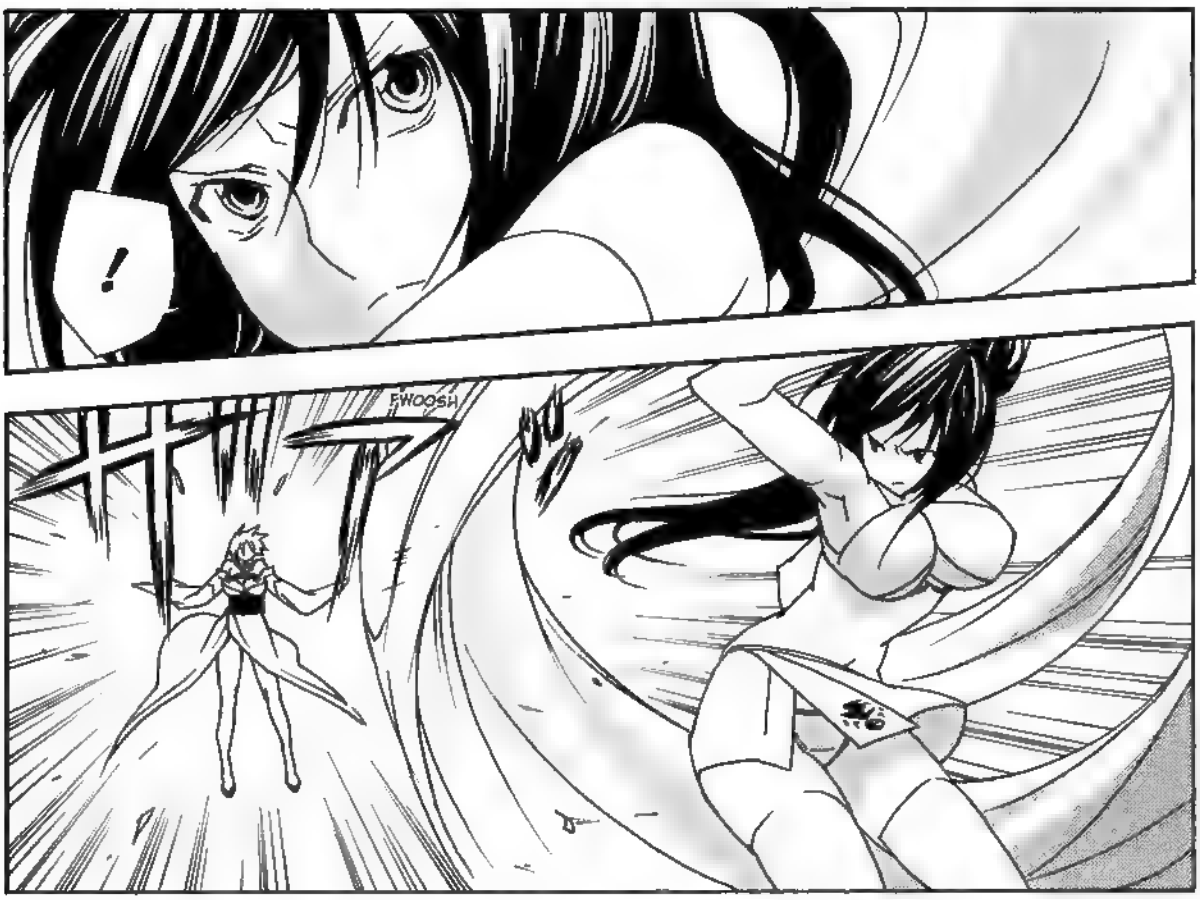
I WILL CAPTURE NO. 06, HOMURA!
AND I WON'T SHOW MERCY TO ANYONE WHO GETS IN MY WAY.

LIKE I TOLD YOU...
THE UZUME YOU KNEW IS DEAD AND GONE.
WHO'S PULLING YOUR STRINGS .....?
WHAT DO THEY HAVE ON YOU?
UZUME ...
AND THE HERETICAL HUNTER OF SEKIREI.
NOW I'M NO. 10, UZUME.
THE VEILED SEKIREI.

NO. 06, HOMURA.
COME WITH ME QUIETLY ...
...OR ELSE...
!!
FLING

...YOU'LL DIE.

TCH...
FWOOM


!
FWOOSH

THAT IS MY PREY...
ON MASTER'S ORDERS .....
FWOOSH
FLAP
...DIDN'T I JUST TELL YOU?
I WON'T SHOW YOU MERCY.

HAAA.
HAA...
HAAA.
HEY! WHAT'S THIS!?
WHOSE SEKIREI IS THAT!?
IT WAS ONLY JUST GETTING GOOD.
AH, HE'S ACTUALLY BURNING UP.
AT THIS RATE, HE'LL SELF-DESTRUCT.
EHHH.
WE CAME NORTH FOR NOTHING?
? WHADDAYA MEAN?
IT HAPPENS TO SEKIREI WITH UNSTABLE POWER OUTPUT.
THAT SEKIREI... ITS OWN POWER IS BREAKING IT DOWN.

MUTSU?
MUTSU! TAKE CARE OF THAT CLOTH GIRL!
AND BRING THE UNWINGED ONE TO ME!!
FORGET ONE-ON-ONE!!
...UNDERSTOOD.
IT'S GOT FLAMES. IT'S AN ELEMENTAL-TYPE. IT'S RARE. I WANT IT.
...HAYATO MIKOGAMI-SAMA FROM THE SOUTH, AREN'T YOU?
OH, YOU'RE...

THIS SENSATION...
THAT'S AN ASHI-KABI.
HEY, IS THAT CLOTH GIRL YOURS!?
ASHI-KABI!?

SADLY, THAT PARTICULAR SEKIREI IS NOT MINE...
...BUT SHE IS WORKING UNDER US, YES.

"US"?
STOP MESSING AROUND. WHAT'S YOUR NAME? WHO ARE YOU?

PARDON MY RUDENESS. LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF.
I AM KAKIZAKI.
SECRETARY TO IZUMI HIGA OF THE EAST.
AND A FELLOW ASHIKABI.
A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU.
HIGA? FROM THE EAST!?
HE'S ALSO HERE IN THE NORTH NOW...
...BUT SOME UNEXPECTED BUSINESS CAME UP.
SORRY. THAT DOESN'T CONCERN YOU.
...THAT DEMON-LIKE GIRL.....HIS STRANGE INTEREST IN HER...
PFFT.

...MIKO-GAMI.
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE IN NO POSITION TO WORRY ABOUT THE LAST UNWINGED ONE.
CHUCKLE
クス
THAT IS...
...UNTIL WE CAPTURE NO. 06 FOR OUR-SELVES.
JUST SIT BACK AND DON'T MAKE A MOVE.
NO NEED TO BE ON GUARD.
AS SOON AS YOU GOT THAT TEXT, YOU SHOUTED, "SOUNDS FUN! YAY! WOO-HOO!" AND DASHED OUT.
THIS WOULD'VE ENDED DIFFERENTLY IF WE'D BROUGHT ALONG TWO OR THREE MORE...
THIS IS ONLY HAPPENING... BECAUSE YOU DON'T BOTHER WITH STRATEGY...
GAHHH!
YOU AND YOUR FALSE MANNERS. STUPID ADULTS.

SPIN
... DOESN'T MATTER TO ME.
... WELL.
WHETHER IT'S FIVE OR TEN...
MUTSU!!
GET THEM!!
THEY HAVE AT LEAST FIVE ON THEIR SIDE.
YOU SAY THAT LIKE IT'S NOTHING ...
AND YOUR NORI-TO?
...A KISS?
YOU WANT...
NO THANKS.
TAP

WHOOM

THAT KID...

GAH

AKITSU!
WE'RE PULLING OUT. YOU COME TOO.
EH.
WE'RE RUN-NING!?
WHAT ABOUT NO. 06 !?
IT'S TOO LATE...
GIVE IT UP.
EHHHH? WE CAME FOR NOTHING!?
WHY'S THIS ALWAYS HAPPENING TO ME!?
...YOU ASKED ...
...HOW IT IS...
...I HAVE A MASTER ...?

HE SAID HE WANTED ME...
...EVEN THOUGH I'M BROKEN...
HE GAVE ME A PLACE TO BELONG...AND COMRADES...
EVEN IF HIS SYMBOL ISN'T ENGRAVED ON MY BODY... HE IS MY MASTER.
IT'S NOT BECAUSE HE BECAME MY ASHIKABI.
IT'S BECAUSE I RECOGNIZED HIM AS MY MASTER.....
I... THINK...
LEAP

SUCH CLEAR, PURPOSEFUL EYES...
THOSE EYES... THEY TELL ME YOU'D WILLINGLY DIE FOR YOUR ASHIKABI.
PERHAPS WE'LL MEET AGAIN...
...AND FINISH OUR BATTLE...
LEAP
CAN YOU REALLY...
...BE WINGED?
I'M ENVIOUS ...
I'M ENVIOUS...
.....

I WON'T KILL YOU IF YOU AGREE TO.
YOU GONNA COME WITH ME?
SEKIREI GUARDIAN?

HOMURA?
SO WILL YOU TAKE THE JOB?
...YOU'LL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING THE SEKIREI SAFE.
AT LEAST UNTIL YOU MANAGE TO FIND AN ASHIKABI...
ALL THOSE GIRLS...
I PROTECTED THEM... KEPT THEM SAFE...
IF THEY WERE ABLE TO FIND ASHIKABI...
...THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME.

FLIK
...AND PREVENT PHASE THREE...
... WANTED TO KILL MINAKA ...
BUT I AT LEAST ...
HOMURA !!
FOOM
!!

Chapter 64:
Voices of Friends

FOOM
HOMURA !!

...AGAINST THE MAN TOYING WITH OUR FATE.
I COULDN'T EVEN MANAGE TO RETALIATE...
TCH...
THIS BODY'S ALREADY DONE FOR.
IS THIS REALLY... THE END FOR ME..!?

UZUME... YOU...
WELL DONE.
LEAVE THE REST TO US.
HIGA OF THE EAST...!!
I WONDER IF THIS SEKIREI IS SUITED TO HIGA-SAMA...
IT SEEMS... THE POWER IN THAT BODY IS UNSTABLE.
SHE'S BURNING UP, KAKIZAKI.
UNWINGED, UNWINGED. ♪
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

WHAT A SHAME.
YOU CAME ALL THIS WAY FOR NOTHING.
TCH...
FU FU...
THIS IS THAT SORT OF GAME.
AH...RIGHT. "EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM."
!?
...MINÄKA...

IF I'M GONNA BE SOME PRIZE IN THIS DAMN GAME OF YOURS...
...
THEN I'D RATHER ...
...JUST MELTDOWN HERE!!

WATCH THIS, MINAKA.
FWOOM
THE DEATH OF NO. 06, HOMURA!!
KAGARI.

IS THIS WHAT BECOMES OF MY RIVAL?
I'M SORRY, MIYA...
TAKAMI-SAN...
MATSU IS WORRIED ABOUT KAGARI-TAN.
I'M DONE...

I'M... JUST WORRIED.
I-I'M...
KAGARI-SAN.
AH!

SPLASH
FSSSHHH

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, HOMURA!?
AS I SAID...
...I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO QUIT!!
KAGARI-SAAAN.
WE FINALLY CAUGHT UP!

SPLAT
CRACK
TMP
FLOAT

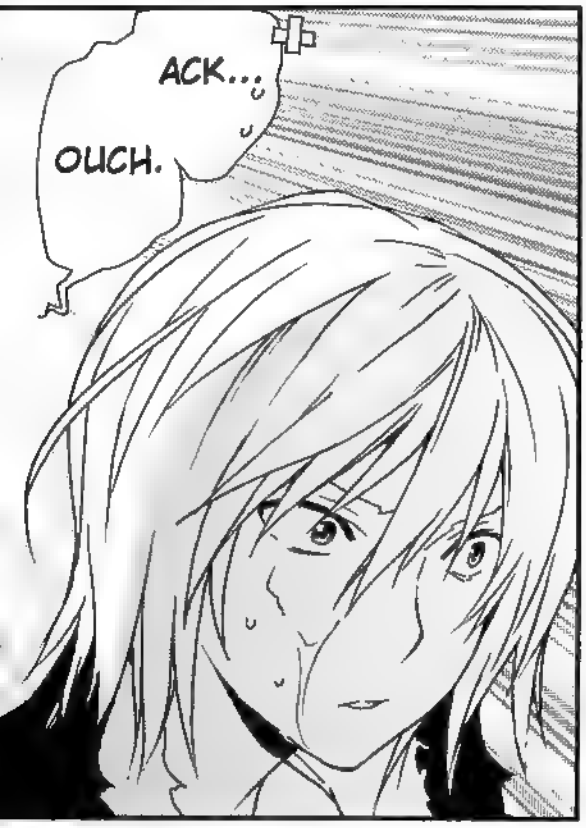
SPLAT
CRACK
TMP
FLOAT

!!

THE NORTH ...
... THEN?

SANADA FROM THE WEST?

...NO... THAT'S NOT HIM.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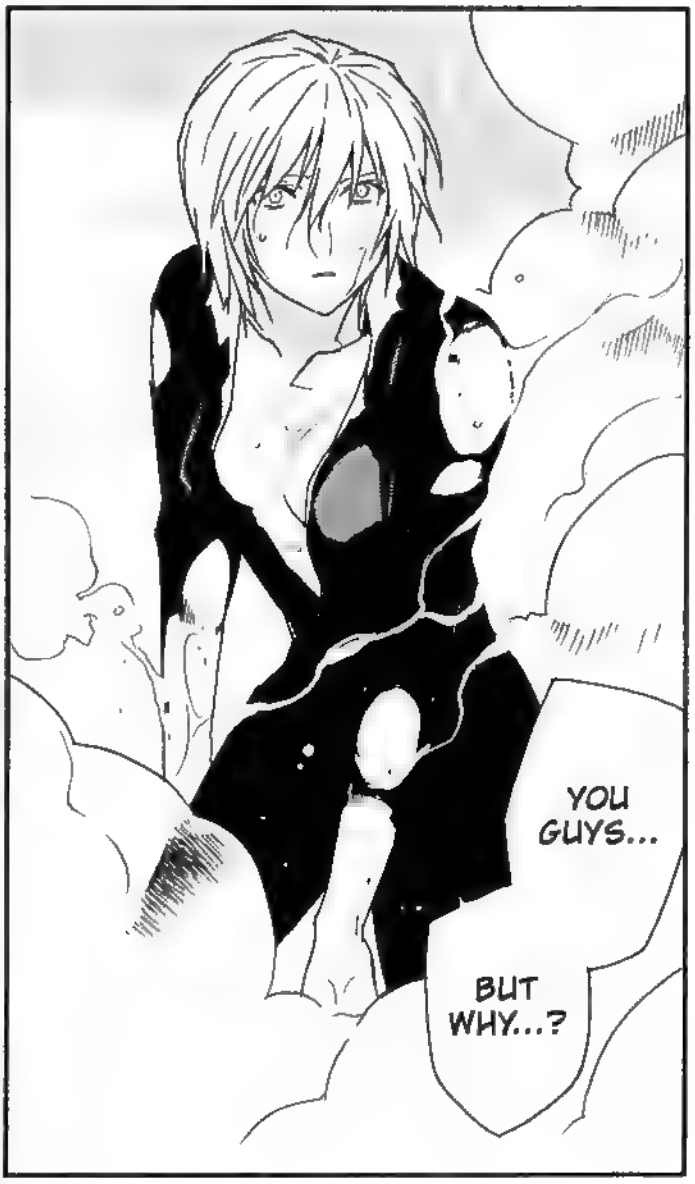
OUCH.


YOU GUYS...
BUT WHY...?

KA—
KAGARI-SAN!!
YOU OKAY!?
BADUM
...SAHASHI...

Chapter 65: Sound to Soothe Pain of the Heart

KAGARI-SA—
STAY BACK.
STAY BACK...
...I DON'T WANT...
SAHA-SHI...
...YOUR DAMN PITY...!!
IT'S...
IT'S NOT PITY!!
RIGHT!
IT ISN'T PITY.

WE CAME TO COLLECT THE RENT FROM YOU.
MU-MUSUBI-CHAN ...
HOMU-RA!!
HOW DARE YOU DECEIVE ME LIKE THAT!?

I WON'T FORGIVE YOU!
SO BE PREPARED ONCE WE RETURN.

GOING OFF AND KILLING THE CEO? NO, THAT WON'T DO.
MY WONDERFUL MEMORIES OF OLD LOVE MUST BE PRESERVED ...
AH, DO I HAVE LINGERING REGRETS? PERHAPS.
RE-GRETS?

KAGARI-CHAN.

POP
WE CAME TO GET YOU.

FLAP
THEN LET'S GET THEM! ♪
ENEMIES? WHAT DO WE DO?
THEY'RE CERTAINLY NOT ALLIES.
BROKEN DOWN OR NOT...
...WE CAN'T ALLOW THEM TO TAKE THAT UNWINGED SEKIREI.
YOU'LL FIGHT TOO, OF COURSE.
NO. 10.

HOW UNLUCKY FOR YOU THAT WE WOULD MEET HERE...!!
WAIT.
THAT GIRL IS MINE.
!
THAT'S... THE VEILED SEKIREI!
AH.
SPIN

U-FU-FU! ♪
IT'S ALL OVER FOR YOU, SO I MAY AS WELL INTRODUCE MYSELF.
FWOOSH
I'M NO. 101, ORIHA.
MY ASHIKABI IS IZUMI HIGA. ♪

YOU'RE QUITE COURAGEOUS TO BEAR YOUR BLADES AT ME SO BRAZENLY.
A SURPRISE ATTACK...? HOW INSOLENT...!
NO. 09, TSUKI-UMI...
...ACCEPTS YOUR CHALLENGE! PREPARE FOR MY RETALIATION !!

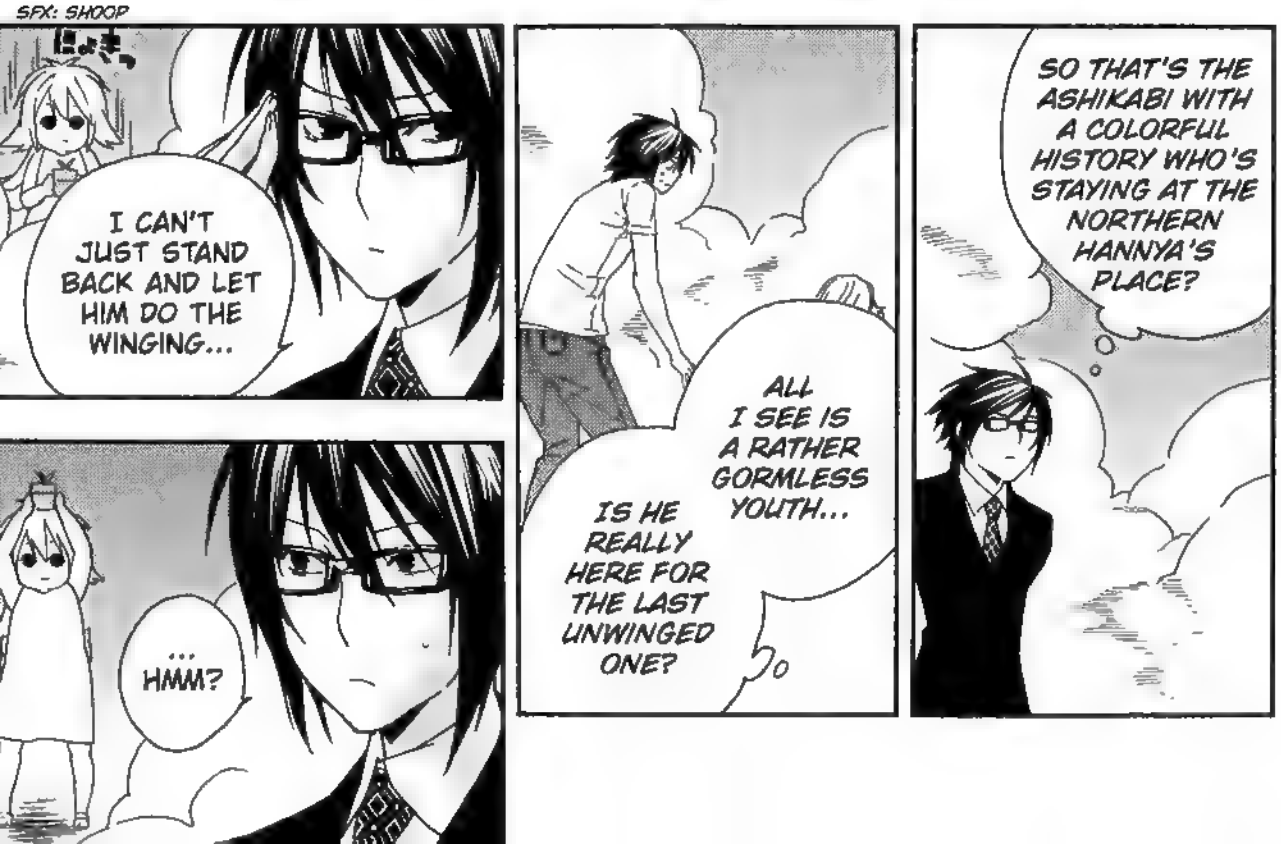
I'M NO. 88, MUSUBI. I'M A FIST-TYPE!!

...I'M NO. 86, KATSU-RAGI.

HERE I GO!
...YOU'RE NOT SURPRISED ...
...THAT I'M HERE, THEN?
WELL...
I KNOW YOU HAVE YOUR REASONS.
AND EVER SINCE YOU LEFT IZUMO INN, I'VE SUSPECTED ...
...THAT OUR NEXT MEETING WOULD NOT BE A FRIENDLY ONE.

EYEING MY SEKIREI CREST FOR A MOMENT IN THE BATH...
!
ATTACKING NO. 95... PERSONALLY CHALLENGING ME TO BATTLE...
...AND THEN VANISHING WITHOUT A WORD...
DID YOU REALLY THINK THAT MIYA, MATSU, AND I WOULDN'T CATCH ON?
CATCH ON TO THE DARKNESS YOU HOLD WITHIN YOU.
I REALLY CAN'T MEASURE UP TO YOU, BIG SIS.
YOU SLY OLD FOX...
SO YOU SAW RIGHT THROUGH ME.
IS THIS REALLY ALL FOR YOUR ASHIKABI'S SAKE.....?
...JUST ONE QUESTION.
...THAT'S THE ONLY REASON WE EVER FIGHT, ISN'T IT?
FOR OUR... ASHIKABI ...
BIG SIS...
AWWW, IT'S LOVE. BEAUTIFUL LOVE. ♡
KYAHH!
WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT SERIOUS TONE...?

I DO BELIEVE YOUR METHODS ARE WRONG... BUT...
...YOUR MOTIVES AS A SEKIREI ARE PURE.
VERY WELL. I'LL GIVE YOU A FIGHT.
COME AT ME.
TCH.
YOU REALLY GOTTA STOP LOOKING DOWN ON ME LIKE THAT.
BUT... THANKS.
THAT TENDENCY OF YOURS, BIG SIS...
...IS REALLY GONNA HELP ME OUT HERE.


SFX: SHOOP
I CAN'T JUST STAND BACK AND LET HIM DO THE WINGING...
...HMM?
IS HE REALLY HERE FOR THE LAST UNWINGED ONE?
ALL I SEE IS A RATHER GORMLESS YOUTH...
SO THAT'S THE ASHIKABI WITH A COLORFUL HISTORY WHO'S STAYING AT THE NORTHERN HANNYA'S PLACE?

POP
ニョキ
UWAHH!
YOU... JUST G-GET BACK!!
...KAGARI-SAN.
WE'RE... HERE FOR YOU...
...NOT OUT OF PITY.

I WANT YOU...
...TO BE MY SEKIREI ...
UMM... I...
UHH... BE M—
BLUSH
UM...
HOW DO I...?
TH-THAT'S WHY...
...YOU'RE...NO DIFFERENT.
NO DIFFERENT THAN THE OTHERS DRAWN HERE BY HIS TEXT.
NO DIF-FERENT THAN MINAKA ...!

TO BOLSTER YOUR OWN NUMBERS?
IN PREPARATION FOR PHASE THREE?
KA—
YOU REALLY JUST WANT MY POWER, RIGHT?
KAGARI-SAN...
TO YOU, I'M JUST ANOTHER PAWN...
...IN THIS STUPID GAME, RIGHT!?
YOU'RE SORE OUT OF LUCK, BECAUSE I'M BROKEN.
HIDEOUS, HUH? AM I A MAN? A WOMAN? WHO KNOWS.
EVEN MY ABILITIES ARE UN-STABLE.

!
I'M NOT ALLOWED TO JUST LIVE FOR MYSELF.
... I'M...
HE REALLY DID HAVE BOOBS...
AH...!
FLIK
... THERE WAS NEVER ANY MEANING.
BUT I WON'T BE ANYONE ELSE'S PROPERTY.
I'D RATHER BURN UP RIGHT HERE.
NO MEANING TO MY VERY EXISTENCE...

HOT.
SIZZLE
PL—
PLEASE GET OFF.
WHAT'RE YOU...?
GET OFF.
YOU'LL BURN TO DEATH!!
DON'T MENTION IT.
YOU PATCHED ME UP...
WHEN MUSUBI-CHAN AND ME FELL FROM THE SKY AND I GOT HURT...
I... WAS SO GLAD.
THERE'S ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT IZUMO INN...!!
OF COURSE THERE'S MEANING!!

WHEN... YOU HELPED WELCOME US TO IZUMO INN...
...AFTER WE WERE KICKED OUT OF MY OLD APART-MENT...
I REMEM-BER...
...BEING SO GLAD.

AND THEN MY MOM TOLD ME HOW...
...MUSUBI-CHAN...
...AND THEN, KU-CHAN...
YOU HELPED US ALL, KAGARI-SAN.
GOING AFTER THOSE WITHOUT WINGS.
ARE PER-SISTENT.
WHO CARES AS LONG AS WE WIN!?
SH-SHUT UP.
EVEN TSUKIUMI SAID YOU'RE A RIVAL SHE DOESN'T WANT TO LOSE.

WE ALL CAME HERE TO HELP YOU, KAGARI-SAN.
...AND MINE TOO...
THEIR FEELINGS ...
THEY'RE MORE THAN JUST PART OF A GAME...!!

.....
THROB
...UHH.
KAGARI-SAN!?
...GET BACK...
CAN'T HOLD BACK... THE FLAMES.
I...CAN'T CONTROL THIS POWER ANYMORE.
TSUKIUMI CAN SPLASH ME ALL SHE WANTS, BUT...I'M... STILL...
I WON'T LET YOU DIE.

SAHA—

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Sekirei No.55 SAKI

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PROFILE

Name: Saki
Sekirei No.: 55
Birthplace: Kamikura Island
Height: 163 cm
Measurements: B 81 cm, W 60 cm, H 86 cm
Weapon: Japanese katana
Special skills: spy work, disguises
Hobby: Pretending to be a maiden
Agenda: As a spy for MBI's intelligence network, she sees herself as a public servant protecting Teito.

Sekirei

Side Story: Sekirei Examination

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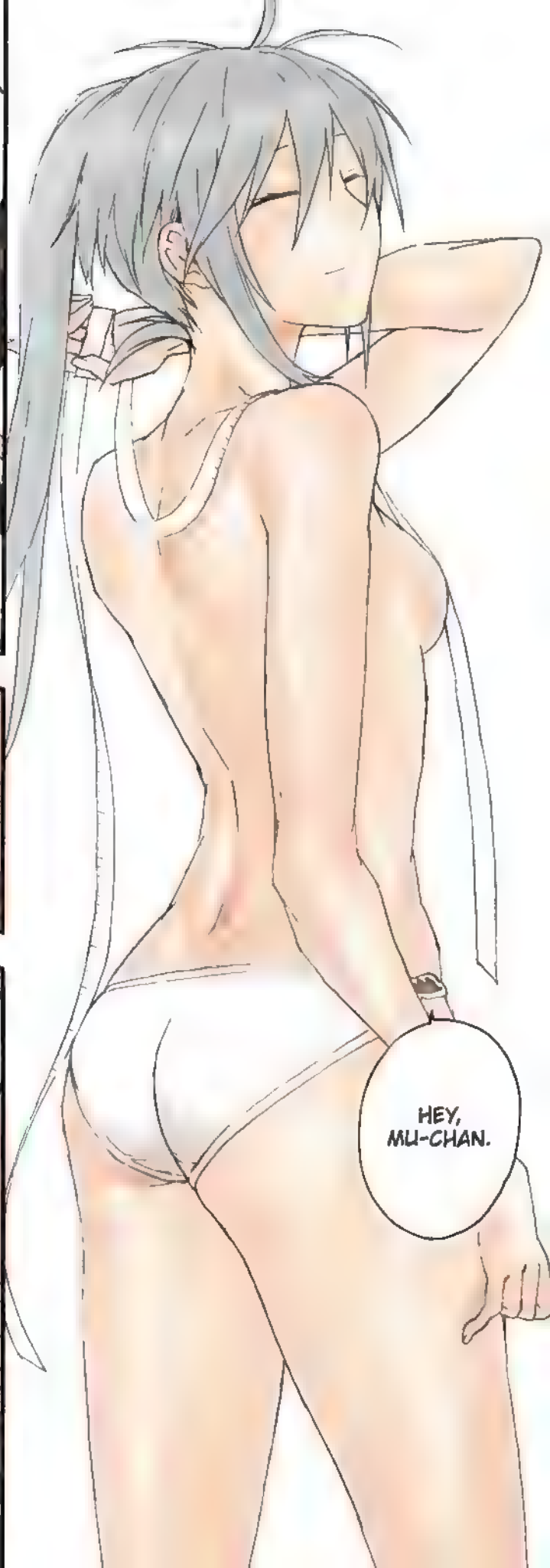
YOU TWO— WHY'RE YOU BOTH STRIPPED DOWN...?
WH- WHAT?
IT'S SEKIREI EXAM- INATION DAY...
...MINATO!
...MINATO- SAN! ♡
09
... EH?

LIKE A MEDICAL CHECKUP FOR SEKIREI?
YES.
WE HAVE ONE AT THE SAME PLACE AND ON THE SAME DAY EVERY MONTH.
EXAMS THIS WAY
EXAMS THIS WAY
IT'S OPTIONAL, THOUGH.
AND AFTER, WE GET MEASURED!
OH-HO-HO-HO.
I'M THE UNSHAKABLE WINNER HERE.

You there— Ashikabi!
No boys allowed in here.
Get out. Get out.
WINNER AT WHAT? OH, WHY DO I EVEN ASK?
W-WINNER...
...I SEE.
MUSUBI IS NUMBER TWO!
P-UMP
70
IT'S COMPULSORY FOR THE DISCIPLINARY SQUAD...
AND YOUR BUST SIZE NEVER GOES UP EVEN A MILLIMETER, BENITSU-BASA...
HEH... HEH... YOU REALLY ARE AN A-CUP...
SHUT UP.
GAHH.
EVERY MONTH, THIS DAMN SEKIREI EXAM!
WHAT'S THE POINT? SO FREAKING ANNOYING.

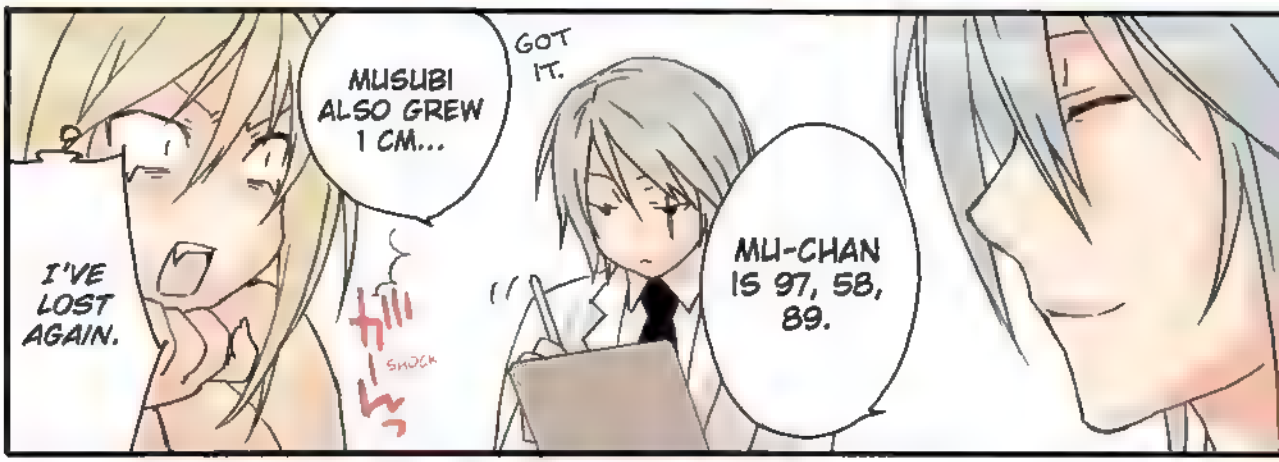
KARA-SUBA-SAMA!
YOU NEED YOUR MEASURE-MENTS TAKEN?
OKAY. ♡
WELL, THEN...
LET ME...
...TAKE CARE OF THAT FOR YOU.
STRIP, STRIP.


HEY, MU-CHAN.

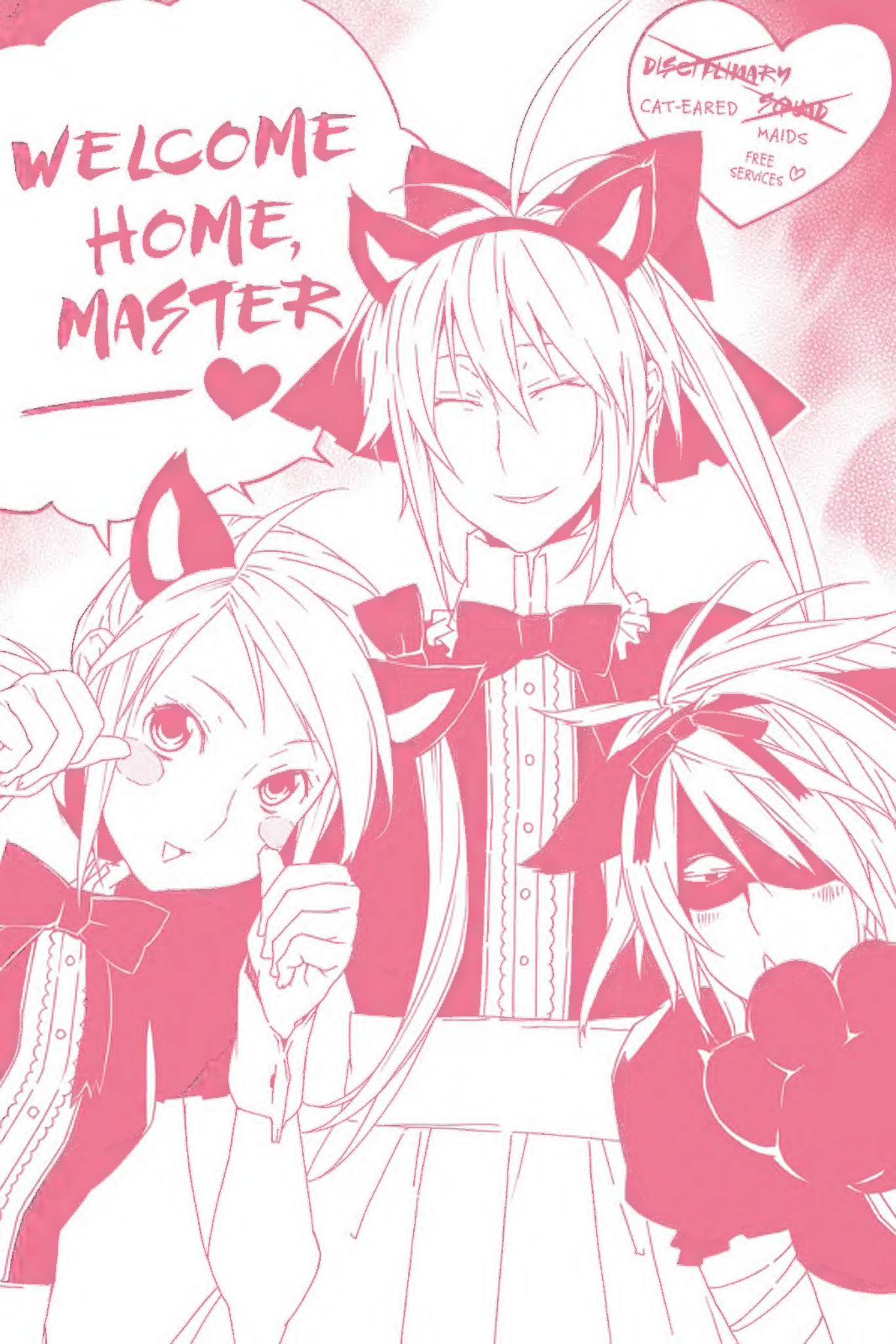
NOW, MUSUBI.
KA—
KARA-SUBA-SAMA?
SQUEEZE
SQUEEZE
KARASUBA-SAMA...
THAT... HURTS.

ARE YOU ACTUALLY MEASURING ME?
OF COUUURSE, MU-CHAN. DON'T WORRY.
RIGHT, TSUKIUMI. YOU'RE 94 CM. B-CUP.
TH-THAT'S S&M.
DEFINITELY S&M...!!
!!
OH, WELL DONE, TSUKIUMI.
YOU GREW 1 CM OVER YOUR OFFICIAL STATS.
SEKIREI VISUAL COLLECTION BOOK
CLENCH
Y—
MY, MY. STILL NOT IN MY LEAGUE, THOUGH.
YOU HEAR THAT, MUSUBI !?
YOUR REIGN IS NEAR ITS END...

MMGRG.


I'VE LOST AGAIN.
MUSUBI ALSO GREW 1 CM...
SHOCK
GOT IT.
MU-CHAN IS 97, 58, 89.

EXAMS THIS WAY
EXAMS THIS WAY
WHERE SHOULD I GO...?
MATSU'S ON THE RUN FROM MBI, SO SHE'S NOT GETTING INVOLVED.
SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE.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